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(*h*) whether the Brahman ryots have memorialized the District Magistrate, District Superintendent of Police and others; and

(*i*) if so, what action has been taken by them?

A.—(*a*) *to* (*i*) The Government have no information; they have called for a report.

Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR :—"With reference to this may I ask the hon. Member whether he has received any further information since the answer was sent up by the Department?"

The hon. Mr. N. E. MARJORIBANKS :—"The report has not yet come."

Irrigation

Repairs to sluice No. 4 of the Nandyal tank.

* 831 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO: With reference to the reply to my question No. 337, answered on 27th August 1927, regarding repairs to sluice No. 4 of the Nandyal tank, will the hon. the Law Member and the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to place the report called for on the table of the House?

A.—A copy [a] of the Executive Engineer's report is placed on the table.

Repairs to Gonteru drain, Godavari Western delta.

* 832 Q.—Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU: With reference to the answer to question No. 85, dated 23rd August 1927, regarding the repairs to Gonteru drain, Godavari Western delta, will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the information called for has been received; and

(*b*) whether he will be pleased to place it on the table?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Executive Engineer's report [b] is placed on the Council Table.

Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU :—"With reference to the answer to clause (*b*), it is clear that proposals were . . ."

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—"Is the hon. Member putting questions on the report placed on the table? Further elucidation of the answer given cannot justify questions on the report itself."

Irrigation under Pedalanka channel, Kistna Eastern delta.

* 833 Q.—Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU: With reference to the answer to question No. 655, [c] dated 29th March 1927, regarding the irrigation under Pedalanka channel, Kistna Eastern delta, will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the report called for has been received; and

(*b*) whether it will be placed on the table of the House?

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a Printed as Appendix VII on pages 511–513 infra.
b Printed as Appendix VIII on pages 514–515 infra.
c Printed as Appendix IX on page 515 infra.

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A.—The report has been received and it shows that the answers to the previous question are as follows :—

(*a*) the channel was designed to carry 268 cusecs—this at the duty of 100 acres which was then provisionally adopted would irrigate 26,800 acres; but later experience has shown that a duty of not more than 70 acres is all that can be expected; and the irrigable area is therefore 18,760 acres.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) About 18,000 acres.

(*d*) No. During the enquiry by the localization officers, stray patches of irrigated land in the midst of dry lands were excluded, but the ryots affected were allowed to apply for irrigation elsewhere.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) No—the channel is being repaired whenever necessary.

Mr. D. Narayana Raju :—" With reference to the answer to clause (*a*) that the duty was reduced from 100 to 70 acres per cusec, may I know if the Government have considered the feasibility of increasing the capacity of the channel instead of reducing the ayacut of the channel ? "

The hon Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" I must ask for notice of the question."

* Mr. A. Kaleswara Rao :—" With reference to the answer to clause (*d*), may I know whether the ryots whose lands have been excluded from the ayacut have complained against it and against taking lands elsewhere ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" I must ask for notice of this question, Sir "

Silting up of the rivers in South Kanara.

* 834 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the rivers in South Kanara are being silted up ; and

(*b*) what action the Government propose to take in the matter ?

A.—The Government have no particular information except as regards the Netravati, proposals for the draining of which are under consideration.

Mr. A. B. Shetty :— " May I know whether in view of the fact that the lands on either side of the rivers in South Kanara are becoming flooded more and more frequently year after year, the hon. the Law Member will be pleased to call for information on the matter ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" I am not aware of the fact that the rivers are being silted up."